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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

After the consultations held on 3 June 1992, the President of the Security Council made the following statement to the media on behalf of the members of the Council in connection with the item entitled "Central America: Efforts towards peace":

"The members of the Security Council have taken note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL).

"They are pleased that the cease-fire is holding and there has not been a single violation since it came into force on 1 February 1992.

"However, the members of the Council are deeply concerned about the many delays by both parties in implementing agreements concluded between the Government of El Salvador and the FMLN and the climate of mutual suspicion that still remains. If that situation were to continue, it would jeopardize the very foundation of the agreements.

"They urge both parties to demonstrate good faith in implementing the agreements fully, to abide by the agreed time-limits, to exert every effort to bring about national reconciliation in El Salvador and to implement the process of demobilization and reform.

"The members of the Council reaffirm their full support for the efforts made by the Secretary-General and his Special Representative, Mr. Iqbal Riza, with the assistance of the "Friends of the Secretary-General" and other Governments concerned. They commend the staff of ONUSAL, who are working under very difficult conditions, and express their concern about the threats to their safety. They remind the parties of their obligation to take all necessary measures to guarantee the safety of ONUSAL and its members.

"The members of the Council will continue to monitor closely developments in the implementation of the peace agreements in El Salvador."

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